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In re Application of: T.C. WILLGING et al.)	Examiner: John B. Walsh
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Serial No.: 10/721,017)	Art Unit: 2151
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Filed: November 20, 2003)	
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For: METHOD, SYSTEM, AND PROGRAM FOR)	
DETERMINING INFORMATION ON A)	
STORAGE SYSTEM IN A NETWORK)	

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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

This Amendment is submitted in response to a final office action in the above case dated January 8, 2008 (“Final Office Action”) in which the Examiner raised a new non-statutory subject matter (35 U.S.C. §101) rejection of the claims and rejected all the claims as anticipated (35 U.S.C. §102) over cited art. On February 28, 2008, the attorney for Applicants and the Examiner held a phone interview discussing the rejections. The Examiner agreed that the finality of the office action was improper due to the new Section 101 grounds of rejection and said that any further rejection of the claims will be in a non-final office action. The Examiner further agreed that the proposed amendments to the claims to recite a “computer readable storage medium”, which Applicants submit herein, would overcome the new Section 101 rejection. Applicants amended the claims to further distinguish over the cited art and submit that pending claims 1, 2, 4-12, 14-22, and 24-30 are patentable over the cited art and in condition for allowance for the reasons discussed herein.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2. Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10.